GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2603
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PERFORMANCE OF MURPAR MINE OF WESTERN COAL FIELDS LIMITED
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether any estimate has been made with regard to decrease in production of coal in several coal mines;

(b) if so, the quantity of coal produced in tonnes from Murpar mine of Western Coal Fields Limited during the year 2004-2005;

(c) whether this mine is running into loss;

(d) if so, whether the reasons for losses have been looked into by the Government;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken to make this mine a profitable unit;

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): During the year 2004-05, Murpar mine of Western Coalfields Limited produced 61,600 tonnes of coal.

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d) to (f): The main reason for the losses is low production from the mine which is due to adverse geo-mining conditions of the mine i.e. adverse roof condition and excessive water seepage.

To improve roof condition, quick setting resin capsules with roof bolts are used for roof support. Recently, 2 Nos. high productive type mounted loading machine like Load Haul Dumpers have been provided to replace the crawler mounted Side Discharge loaders. Diesel generator has been provided to improve power availability.